Please provide the following information, and submit to the NOAA DM Plan Repository.

Reference to Master DM Plan (if applicable)

As stated in Section IV, Requirement 1.3, DM Plans may be hierarchical. If this DM Plan inherits provisions from a higher-level DM Plan already submitted to the Repository, then this more-specific Plan only needs to provide information that differs from what was provided in the Master DM Plan.

URL of higher-level DM Plan (if any) as submitted to DM Plan Repository:

1. General Description of Data to be Managed

1.1. Name of the Data, data collection Project, or data-producing Program: 2019 NOAA OCM Unmanned Aerial System Lidar DEM: Great Bay NERR

1.2. Summary description of the data:

In April 2019, Quantum Spatial (QSI) was contracted by The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office for Coastal Management (OCM) in partnership with the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (GBNERR) to collect high resolution Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) data in the spring of 2019 for four research sites within the GBNERR in New Hampshire. These four sites are "Sentinel Sites" within the GBNERR where vegetation and elevation parameters have previously been continuously monitored and surveyed using traditional methods that require extensive person hours and manual labor.

The bare earth digital elevation model (DEM) represents the earth's surface with all vegetation and anthropogenic features removed. It is derived from NIR LiDAR data using TIN processing of the ground point returns. Some elevation values have been interpolated across areas in the ground model where there is no elevation data (e.g. over water, under dense vegetation). Air Shark collected the NOAA Great Bay UAS LiDAR data, on behalf of Quantum Spatial, for the NOAA Office for Coastal Management between 05/01/2019 and 05/09/2019.

In addition to these bare earth Digital Elevation Model (DEM) data, the lidar point data that these DEM data were created from, are also available. A link to the lidar point data metadata record is provided in the Related Items section of this metadata record.

1.3. Is this a one-time data collection, or an ongoing series of measurements? One-time data collection

1.4. Actual or planned temporal coverage of the data:

2019-05-01, 2019-05-07, 2019-05-08, 2019-05-09

1.5. Actual or planned geographic coverage of the data:

W: -70.921316, E: -70.828822, N: 43.140211, S: 43.039191

1.6. Type(s) of data:

(e.g., digital numeric data, imagery, photographs, video, audio, database, tabular data, etc.) Model (digital)

1.7. Data collection method(s):

(e.g., satellite, airplane, unmanned aerial system, radar, weather station, moored buoy, research vessel, autonomous underwater vehicle, animal tagging, manual surveys, enforcement activities, numerical model, etc.)

1.8. If data are from a NOAA Observing System of Record, indicate name of system:

1.8.1. If data are from another observing system, please specify:

2. Point of Contact for this Data Management Plan (author or maintainer)

2.1. Name:

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

2.2. Title:

Metadata Contact

2.3. Affiliation or facility:

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

2.4. E-mail address:

coastal.info@noaa.gov

2.5. Phone number:

(843) 740-1202

3. Responsible Party for Data Management

Program Managers, or their designee, shall be responsible for assuring the proper management of the data produced by their Program. Please indicate the responsible party below.

3.1. Name:

3.2. Title:

Data Steward

4. Resources

Programs must identify resources within their own budget for managing the data they produce.

4.1. Have resources for management of these data been identified?

Yes

4.2. Approximate percentage of the budget for these data devoted to data management (specify percentage or "unknown"):

Unknown

5. Data Lineage and Quality

NOAA has issued Information Quality Guidelines for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information which it disseminates.

5.1. Processing workflow of the data from collection or acquisition to making it publicly accessible

(describe or provide URL of description):

Lineage Statement:

Air Shark collected Light Detection and Ranging (LIDAR) data on behalf of Quantum Spatial in Great Bay NERR for the NOAA Office for Coastal Management (OCM). NOAA OCM received the data and ingested it into the Digital Coast Data Access Viewer for distribution.

Process Steps:

- 2019-05-09 00:00:00 Acquisition. Air Shark collected the NOAA Great Bay UAS LiDAR data on behalf of Quantum Spatial between 05/01/2019 and 05/09/2019. The survey used a Riegl MiniVUX-1UAV laser system mounted in a DJI Matrice 600. Ground level GPS and aircraft IMU were collected during the flight. Sensor: Riegl MiniVUX-1UAV Maximum returns: 5 Nominal pulse density: 8 pulses/m^2 Nominal pulse spacing: 0.35 m AGL: 60 m Speed: 7.775 knots FOV: 90° Scan frequency: 40.38 hz Pulse rate: 100 kHz Pulse width: 9.6 cm x 3.0 cm Wavelength: 905 nm Pulses in air mode: Linear Mode LiDAR Beam divergence: 1.6 mrads x 0.5 mrads Swath width: 120 m Overlap: 50%
- 2019-07-01 00:00:00 1. Flightlines and data were reviewed to ensure complete coverage of the study area and positional accuracy of the laser points. 2. Laser point return coordinates were computed using POSPac MMS v.8.3, RiProcess v.1.8.5, TerraScan v.19.005, TerraMatch v.19.002 and TerraModeler v.19.005 software based on independent data from the LiDAR system, IMU, and aircraft. 3. The raw LiDAR file was assembled into flightlines per return with each point having an associated x, y, and z coordinate. 4. Visual inspection of swath to swath laser point consistencies within the study area were used to perform manual refinements of system alignment. 5. Custom algorithms were designed to evaluate points between adjacent flightlines. Automated system alignment was computed based upon randomly selected swath to swath accuracy measurements that consider elevation, slope, and intensities. Specifically, refinement in the combination of system pitch, roll, and yaw offset parameters optimize internal consistency. 6. Noise (e.g., pits and birds) was filtered using post-processing software, based on known elevation ranges and included the removal of any cycle slips. 7. Using TerraScan and Microstation, ground classifications utilized custom settings appropriate to the study area. 8. The corrected and filtered return points were compared to the ground survey points collected to verify the vertical accuracy. 9. TIN processing of the ground point returns was used to create this bare earth DEM.
- 2019-08-28 00:00:00 The NOAA Office for Coastal Management (OCM) received 4

files in img format from Quantum Spatial. Horizontal positions were provided in UTM Zone 19 NAD83(2011), meters coordinates. Vertical positions were provided in NAVD88 (Geoid12b) elevations and in meters. OCM performed the following processing for data storage and Digital Coast provisioning purposes: 1. The data were converted to GeoTiff format and the projection and vertical datum EPSG codes were assigned.. 2. The data were copied to https.

5.1.1. If data at different stages of the workflow, or products derived from these data, are subject to a separate data management plan, provide reference to other plan:

5.2. Quality control procedures employed (describe or provide URL of description):

Shaded relief images have been visually inspected for data errors such as pits, border artifacts, and shifting. LiDAR flightlines have been examined to ensure consistent elevation values across overlapping flightlines. The Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) of line to line relative accuracy for this dataset is 0.025 m. Please see the LiDAR data report for a discussion of the statistics related to this dataset.

6. Data Documentation

The EDMC Data Documentation Procedural Directive requires that NOAA data be well documented, specifies the use of ISO 19115 and related standards for documentation of new data, and provides links to resources and tools for metadata creation and validation.

6.1. Does metadata comply with EDMC Data Documentation directive? No

6.1.1. If metadata are non-existent or non-compliant, please explain:

Missing/invalid information:

- 1.7. Data collection method(s)
- 3.1. Responsible Party for Data Management
- 7.1.1. If data are not available or has limitations, has a Waiver been filed?
- 7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination
- 8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility

6.2. Name of organization or facility providing metadata hosting:

NMFS Office of Science and Technology

6.2.1. If service is needed for metadata hosting, please indicate:

6.3. URL of metadata folder or data catalog, if known:

https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/inport/item/57325

6.4. Process for producing and maintaining metadata

(describe or provide URL of description):

Metadata produced and maintained in accordance with the NOAA Data Documentation Procedural Directive: https://nosc.noaa.gov/EDMC/DAARWG/docs/EDMC_PD-Data_Documentation_v1.pdf

7. Data Access

NAO 212-15 states that access to environmental data may only be restricted when distribution is explicitly limited by law, regulation, policy (such as those applicable to personally identifiable information or protected critical infrastructure information or proprietary trade information) or by security requirements. The EDMC Data Access Procedural Directive contains specific guidance, recommends the use of open-standard, interoperable, non-proprietary web services, provides information about resources and tools to enable data access, and includes a Waiver to be submitted to justify any approach other than full, unrestricted public access.

7.1. Do these data comply with the Data Access directive?

Yes

- 7.1.1. If the data are not to be made available to the public at all, or with limitations, has a Waiver (Appendix A of Data Access directive) been filed?
- 7.1.2. If there are limitations to public data access, describe how data are protected from unauthorized access or disclosure:
- 7.2. Name of organization of facility providing data access:

NOAA Office for Coastal Management (NOAA/OCM)

7.2.1. If data hosting service is needed, please indicate:

7.2.2. URL of data access service, if known:

https://coast.noaa.gov/dataviewer/#/lidar/search/where:ID=8845 https://coast.noaa.gov/htdata/raster2/elevation/NOAA_Great_Bay_UAS_DEM_2019_8845

7.3. Data access methods or services offered:

Data is available online for bulk and custom downloads.

- 7.4. Approximate delay between data collection and dissemination:
 - 7.4.1. If delay is longer than latency of automated processing, indicate under what authority data access is delayed:

8. Data Preservation and Protection

The NOAA Procedure for Scientific Records Appraisal and Archive Approval describes how to identify, appraise and decide what scientific records are to be preserved in a NOAA archive.

8.1. Actual or planned long-term data archive location:

(Specify NCEI-MD, NCEI-CO, NCEI-NC, NCEI-MS, World Data Center (WDC) facility, Other, To Be Determined, Unable to Archive, or No Archiving Intended) NCEI_CO

- 8.1.1. If World Data Center or Other, specify:
- 8.1.2. If To Be Determined, Unable to Archive or No Archiving Intended, explain:
- **8.2. Data storage facility prior to being sent to an archive facility (if any):**Office for Coastal Management Charleston, SC
- 8.3. Approximate delay between data collection and submission to an archive facility:
- 8.4. How will the data be protected from accidental or malicious modification or deletion prior to receipt by the archive?

Discuss data back-up, disaster recovery/contingency planning, and off-site data storage relevant to the data collection

Data is backed up to tape and to cloud storage.

9. Additional Line Office or Staff Office Questions

Line and Staff Offices may extend this template by inserting additional questions in this section.